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In re application of:

Sang Young Kim et al.

Application No.: 09/434,736

Filed: November 2, 1999

For: METHOD FOR FILLING

CONTACT HOLES WITH METAL BY

TWO-STEP DEPOSITION

Examiner:

Evan T. Pert

Art Unit:

2829

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents U. S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 14, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute the following claims 1, 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 17, 20, 23, 27, 30, 31, 32, 34, 36, 39, 41, 64, 65 and 66 for the pending claims of the same numbers. A clean copy of all pending claims are set forth below for the convenience of the Examiner. A marked up copy of the claims showing the most recent amendments is found at the end

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Dear Examiner Pert:

Attached is a copy of the Amendment that was filed May 17, 2002. However, as per your phone message of Eriday, October 25, 2002, we have replaced the previously filed Appendix with an Appendix that is in proper form for issuance of the patent application. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call me at (303) 571-4321.

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